

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sherar are in the city. Fall plowing has commenced on Tygh Ridge. Mr. C. G. Roberts came up Monday from Hood River on the Regulator.

In the county court Monday George McIntosh was admitted to full citizenship.

Mr. John End and son of Wainie gave the Chronicle office a pleasant call today.

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Diek Brookhouse, a prominent rancher of this county, and Mrs. Brookhouse went down on the Baker this morning.

At a late camp-fire held by the members of the G. A. R., living at Hood River, 8000 was subscribed to build an armory.

J. J. Norman the superintendent of the water works is so much improved in health that he hopes to be able to resume his duties by Monday morning.

The Chronicle is much pleased to learn that the health of Hon. E. L. Smith is much improved and that he is entertained in his complete recovery.

The Dalles fire engine has been brought back from Portland where it was sent some time after the fire for repairs. It was tested yesterday and found to work all right.

The many friends of Charles Stirling will find him next door west of the old Cermaia saloon where he is prepared to furnish his customers with the best of everything the trade affords.

Eighty-nine pupils are enrolled in the public school at Hood River. Every seat is occupied and there is not room for another pupil. The Glacier urges the building of a new schoolhouse.

S. E. Farris left this morning for Yakima City where he expects to remain for about three weeks. His father and mother have proceeded here and intend to remain during the coming winter.

Lem Burgess of Bake Oven has bought out the entire sheep interest of Henry Steers of Antelope. It consisted of one sheep and the price paid for the band was \$2. Henry is going to start a bank in Fossil with the money.

A communication from a reader and admirer of the Chronicle, whose letter is postmarked "Wapinitia," is held over till the writer furnishes us with his name. Then we'll show him the handsome New Bain waver he ever saw.

The teachers of the public schools of this city have taken up a course of reading in connection with the Oregon State Reading circle. They will hold meetings once a week to discuss their reading lessons. The next meeting will be held on Friday evening.

He has a man in Pendleton who bids fair to solve the town cow problem. He lives in the lower end of town and makes a business of milking all the stray cows that come his way. It has been suggested that he be appointed pound master and take his pay in milk.

We are more than ever convinced that an artisan well versed in the use of a good tool. We understand that a project is on foot to undertake the work of boring in this vicinity. We hope ere long to have the pleasure of noting the success of the scheme.—Goldendale Sentinel.

We have been assured by several who were present at the meeting of the board of portage commissions that the board were very emphatic in expressing their thanks and acknowledgements to Mr. Farley for his valuable and efficient services in connection with the construction of the Cascade portage.

Sylvester Mason, jr. while riding horseback Tuesday near the head Jamison Hollow was thrown against a barb wire fence through his horse becoming frightened and the young man received a severe cut in one of his legs. He was brought into town and placed under the care of Dr. Sheekelford.

Crowds are still nightly attracted to the auction sale at Harris' dry goods store. The bidding is always lively and goods are sold liberally for what they will bring. Auctioneer Crossen says Harris has a man in New York named Levi who steals the dry goods and he (Crossen) is going to give them away.

Stacy Show, for a long time in the employ of W. E. Garretson, the jeweler, has branched out for himself and has opened a place of business in Dunham's drug store for the repairing of watches and jewelry at reasonable living rates. Stacy is a good boy and he will undoubtedly get a share of public patronage.

Sherman county has not got a saloon within her borders. Last term of circuit court three saloon keepers were indicted for selling liquor without license and each fined \$300. Now the last saloon is closed, as the keepers are unable to procure the necessary precinct majority in order to obtain license from the county court.

Baker City held an election last Monday when C. A. Johns was elected mayor by a majority of fifty-one over his opponent Mayor McCord who has held the office for the past four years. The election was conducted under the new state law—the Australian ballot system, and the Baker City papers speak of it as having given entire satisfaction.

The regular November term of circuit court will convene here next Monday. A case than usual number of criminal cases will come before the grand jury and over a hundred civil cases are on the docket. The session is expected to last a couple of weeks but Judge Bradshaw is a rustler and may get through in less time.

The story is told quite freely across the river that the alliance of No. 6 precinct in Kliekitt county after passing a number of solemn resolutions to support the Regulator at all costs just as solemnly and far more seriously clubbed together and sold 30,000 bushel of wheat to a buyer

Rice has been obliged to resign his office on account of protracted illness. He expects to spend the winter in California.

Dr. W. M. Lee of Hartland, deputy master of the Washington state grange, gave this office a pleasant call today.

The doctor has just returned from the northern part of his own state where he has been having good success in organizing a reader and admirer of the Chronicle is much pleased with the course it is taking in all matters relating to the well being of the farming classes. The doctor promises to favor the readers of the Chronicle with a communication now and then, and we shall try and keep him to his word.

James Brown of Tygh Valley returned last night from a five weeks trip to the East whither he went with 24 head of horses and four colts. He reports having sold his stock at good prices but the expenses were so heavy that they ate up nearly all the profits. Still he got more than he could here for horses, taking into account all expenses, which amounted to about \$22.50 a head. He expects to go back on a similar errand as soon as he has a sufficient number of horses to make it worth while.

Mr. Brown advises all shippers to be sure they have the freight bill fixed solid before leaving as the Union Pacific, true to its character, charged him at both ends. After giving the company all they asked, at the end of the line, he had to pay \$23 extra at the other. That is the game the company played on young Freeman the other day when they charged him \$70 extra and when he refused to pay it and took the horses out of the car they had him arrested for grand larceny. But this is not all. They gave Mr. Brown at the Dalles a pass to Omaha and a half fare return pass, but when he got back to Omaha they would not recognize his pass at all and he had to pay regular rates. Next time Mr. Brown goes East he don't go by the Union Pacific, if he knows himself.

Miss Catherine Davenport, daughter of Louis Davenport, has returned home for an indefinite period of time. Mrs. Kline of The Dalles is visiting at Mr. Davenport's.

Mr. S. R. Husbands, accompanied by his wife, returned home from Portland on Monday. Mrs. Husbands, who has been seriously ill at several different times in the past six weeks, hopes to benefit her health by the change and it is to be hoped that she can.

Mr. T. R. Coon, who has recently planted on what is known as the Brown farm here from fifty to 100,000 strawberry plants, has cheering prospects of a good first crop of berries in the coming spring. Then I guess we will all know where to go for strawberries and cream.

Mr. John Miller is erecting a very nice mansion on his farm, near his father's. That's the kind of a spirit it gives a man to get married. Oh! if I were a man I'd get married too.

We are all looking for Mr. Dunaway, our road supervisor, to make us a visit and send us out to work. That is what we might call working for our country. I tell you what, I am going to try and get my papa to stand by the Regulator. It is the finest piece of business accomplished this season and all are pleased to see that she is making much better time up the river than usual. Every one at Mosier will travel via the Regulator. We don't care about the difference of twenty or twenty-five cents on the wagon load of wheat. Money is no object to us. The Regulator is the object that we have in view now.

Since I penned these last few lines I have learned of the return of Mr. and Mrs. Husbands. They report very well weather at Portland. Mrs. Husbands' health is much improved by the change.

The writer of this paragraph is now wearing a ten by twelve smile that reaches all the way from ear to ear; and here is the reason why: Mr. and Mrs. Norris, well known residents of Pendleton, Mr. Norris having been for some time employed as book keeper for Landry & Demott of that city, went down from there on the Baker this morning, no unusual thing for residents from the counties east of here, who can save \$3.00 by buying a ticket to The Dalles and going the rest of the journey to Portland by the Union Pacific's boats for fifty cents. But Mr. and Mrs. Norris were going to Kansas City, and right here is where the smile comes in. Mr. Norris had intended going by the Union Pacific and two tickets from Pendleton to Kansas City would have cost him \$115, but he learned just in time that he could save \$6.10 by buying tickets to The Dalles and going to Portland by the river and not being in any great hurry to get to his destination he adopted the cheapest route, and when he gets to Portland he will buy a ticket to Kansas City by the way of the Southern Pacific. Thus the scheme of the Union Pacific to drive the people's boats off the river has a sort of back action to it and it ticks the company hardest. The fifty cent rate costs the company, in this instance, exactly \$102.40 for had it not been in existence Mr. and Mrs. Norris would have paid out to the Union Pacific the sum of \$115, whereas they only paid it \$12.40. Brethren, let the good work go on.

At Nausene, October 27, 1891, to the wife of Haratto Faragher, a ten-pound boy.

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ing the Board of Portage Commissioners. GENTLEMEN—I herewith submit to you a short monthly report and also offer a few suggestions for your action, and trust the same will have your earliest attention. The total earnings of the portage up to November 1, 1891 (not including 60 cents collected by conductor for traffic of passengers from Union Pacific boats at upper incline to top of grade) are \$782.56. This includes the whole earnings of October and the seven days of September for which you will find attached a draft in favor of the state secretary for the amount. The state has expended for extra help in handling freight at west incline, owing to the same not being completed, the sum of \$267.70. The summary attached shows fully the account.

This is for the board to say whether the state or the transportation company is to bear this expense or whether both are to bear it. In either of the two latter cases, then I wish to know so as to collect the amount agreed upon by the board.

The board will also find attached a summary of the earnings of the road in each classification. I have gone through this hurriedly and perhaps there might be a few small errors but nothing of any great consequence. The board will also find all passengers' tickets and freight bills up to November 1, 1891, by which they can find at any moment the earnings of each day. I will state to the board it is my intention to commence the completion of the west incline on Monday, November 9th and trust to have it finished in from eighteen to twenty days from that date, and then there will be no extra handling of freight required.

I wish to state to the board that I think the tariff should immediately be modified so as to have possibly only five classifications of tariff so as to avoid labor and mistakes and still the state make the same amount of revenue. I think the portage charges are as large as any transportation company can afford to pay and still do not let the transportation company should find any fault. Should the board conclude to modify the tariff and retain the rates as they are, it will be essential for the board to try to reduce the operating expenses so as to come within the limits of the earnings. Therefore I would suggest the following as a summary for that purpose, showing your liabilities monthly.

Conductor \$100.00  
Fireman 75.00  
Wharf-boatman 75.00  
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Waterman 50.00  
Insurance per month 21.00  
Wood 50.00  
Oil 50.00  
Incidentals 50.00  
Total \$646.00

This is to perform and do all the service that two boats will make for the portage, and, if more boats are employed only add a small additional sum to your monthly account. I assure the board I can tell very closely now about what it will cost to operate the road and feel very confident in what I am advising. I venture to say if it was possible for the board to let myself and others will give a good bond to do the service for \$650 a month and keep all the property in good order. I don't think it wise for the board to further employ a superintendent at \$150 a month as the work of construction is about completed and it is unnecessary to expend this large sum every month if it can be saved and I assure you, gentlemen, I have done my best in your service to give you a good substantial road and as low as it could be built, and now my desire is to see it pay, even if opposed by large railroad corporations.

In conclusion allow me to call your attention to your condemnation suit which comes up in this term of court which must have your attorney general's immediate attention.

Your Respectfully,  
G. J. FARLEY, Supt.

Another Mis-shipment. For the third time during the past few weeks J. P. McInerney has had goods shipped to him from the east by a route different from the one ordered. The last instance occurred about a week ago, when a lot of merchandise which he had ordered by the Northern Pacific and the Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation company arrived by way of the Union Pacific. It seems the goods came to Council Bluffs by way of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy road and that company transferred them at that place to the Union Pacific, in violation of the instructions and address on the packages. The goods are now in the Moody warehouse, Mr. McInerney having refused to receive them. The house from which Mr. McInerney purchased them has been advised of the error and Mr. McInerney awaits their reply.

School Report. FAIRVIEW, Or., October 30, 1891. School closed in district No. 25 today with seventeen pupils enrolled. Following is their standing in scholarship and deportment:

Sch. Dep.  
Edna Hall 97 98  
Bessie Hastings 98 98  
Maggie Hastings 85 90  
Florence Wolfe 95 96  
May Wolfe 90 96  
Emma Wolf 93 92  
Ida Wickham 80 90  
Ralph Hall 88 90  
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Henry Wolfe 94 91  
Willie Walker 89 90  
Clarence Wickham 88 90  
Edward Wickham 85 90  
Charles Stewart 97 90

ETHEL ROWE, Teacher.

Total Gross Valuation of All Property. The following statistics are taken from the assessment rolls already filed with the secretary of state:

Cook 1891 1890  
Washington 2,208,262 2,208,262  
Grant 1,628,230 1,628,230  
Dalhart 1,234,245 1,234,245  
Harney 1,780,000 1,780,000

Totals \$13,258,825 \$12,287,021

The increase in gross valuation of the five counties returned is \$1,971,804. If this ratio is maintained the total valuation will show an increase of ten millions, perhaps, Lynn county shows an increase of over a million dollars. The tax rolls will show that counties having fruit lands in the market, and thereby inviting immigration, are increasing in valuation most rapidly.

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